



— State of —
North Dakota

Office of the Governor

John Hoeven
Governor

PROCLAMATION
COUNTDOWN TO KITTY HAWK
DECEMBER 17, 2003

WHEREAS, the year 2003 marks the 100th Anniversary of a uniquely American invention, the Wright brothers discovery of powered flight; and

WHEREAS, the Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) is celebrating the Centennial of Flight through its nationwide "Countdown to Kitty Hawk" program in partnership with the National Park Service; and

WHEREAS, as part of that year-long celebration, EAA and the National Park Service have joined forces to conduct a "50 Flags to Kitty Hawk" initiative in which an EAA member from each of the 50 United States shall fly their respective State flag to Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, during 2003 to pay tribute to the Wright brothers, who were in fact the first "homebuilders"; and

WHEREAS, those 50 flags will become part of a permanent EAA/National Park Service display on the Wright Memorial grounds; and

NOW, THEREFORE, as the Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do urge all citizens to join me in this national celebration of the innovation and pioneering spirit of the Wright brothers and a century of powered flight.

/s/
John Hoeven
Governor

Attest:

/s/
Alvin A. Jaeger
Secretary of State